

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Jae Kyum KIM et al.

Application No.: 10/722,443

Confirmation No.: 7382

Filed: November 28, 2003

Art Unit: 1746

For: GASKET AND WASHING MACHINE USING  
THE SAME

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Examiner: R. R. Patel

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH MPEP §713.04**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

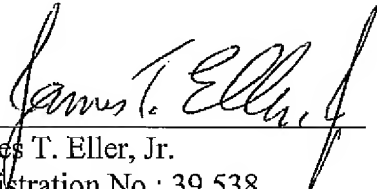
Applicants submit herewith a statement on the substance of the telephonic interviews held on June 19, 2007 and June 20, 2007.

Applicants respectfully submit that Interview Summary, Paper No.: 20070620, mailed on July 5, 2007, accurately reflects the substance of the telephone interviews held on June 19, 2007 and June 20, 2007. Namely, that the Examiner contacted Applicants' representatives to discuss a newly identified reference, Morton, to the pending claims and to suggest an Examiner's Amendment to the pending claims. After consulting with Applicants, Applicants' representatives were instructed to accept the Examiner's Amendment to advance prosecution of the pending application. Subsequently, Applicants representatives contacted the Examiner in charge of the case and authorized the Examiner's Amendment.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Dated: August 3, 2007

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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS  
FOR ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR §1.104(E)**

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Sir:

Applicants have received the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance with the July 5, 2007 Notice of Allowance and Allowability regarding the above-identified application.

Entry of the Statement into the record should not be construed as any agreement with or acquiescence in the reasoning stated by the Examiner. Each of the claims stands on its own merits and is patentable because of the combination it recites and not because of the presence or absence of any one particular element.

The Examiner's Statement was not prepared by Applicants and only contains the Examiner's possible positions in one or more reasons for allowability. Thus, any interpretation

with respect to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be imputed to the Applicants.

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